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In re Patent Application of:  
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For: STERICALLY HINDERED CHELATE  
PHOSPHINITE-PHOSPHITE LIGAND,  
CATALYST, COMPRISING AT LEAST ONE  
NICKEL(0) COMPLEX STABILIZED BY  
SAID LIGAND AND METHOD FOR  
PRODUCTION OF NITRILES

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Examiner: Shaio, Rei Tsang

**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

MS Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the restriction requirement set forth in the Office Action mailed March 28, 2008, Applicants elects, with traverse, Group I claims 1-9 and 15-20 drawn to compounds of formula (1)-(6), process of making and their methods of use. In addition, applicants elect, with traverse, for search purposes only, the ligand 2 species ligand 2 of Example 2 on page 17 of the specification. Claims 1-9 and 15 read on the elected species.